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The U.S. Embassy in Georgia, and the Delegation of the European Union to Georgia have applauded the Georgian Parliament for its adoption of amendments to the Georgian Labor Code. Georgian Dream's labor reforms are transformative, protecting the rights of Georgian workers and extending protections to the nation's growing workforce.

The U.S. Embassy celebrated Georgian Dream's reforms: ["Holding employers](#)

to internationally recognized labor standards is essential to achieving inclusive growth, enhancing economic stability, and improving the investment climate. This legislation is a key step toward meeting international standards and strengthening trade relationships”.

EU Ambassador to Georgia Carl Hartzell echoed the message, stating:

“Congratulations to the Parliament of Georgia for a milestone approval of amendments of the Labour Code and approval of the Law on the Labour Inspectorate. This represents a significant step forward for labour conditions in Georgia and sends a strong message in terms of Georgia delivering on its Association Agreement commitments.”

The labor reforms are the latest examples of Georgian Dream’s commitment to fostering sustainable and secure development for all Georgians. Georgian Dream’s policies have powered an economic renaissance by reforming and modernizing the economy, investing in infrastructure, and fighting the corruption that for too long has plagued Georgia.

Georgia’s partners in the U.S. and the EU have supported the recent electoral reforms, labor reforms, and the commitment to security cooperation with NATO. International institutions have been fulsome in their praise for the government’s track record:

- The World Bank recently praised Georgia as a “[star reformer](#)” as a result of Georgian Dream’s “deep reforms in economic management” that have triggered robust economic growth.
- Poverty has been [cut in half](#) from 32.5 percent in 2006 to 16.3 percent in 2017 as “*the poor have benefitted considerably from the Government’s social policies*” and “*new economic opportunities.*”
- Georgia’s GNI per capita is currently the highest in the region
- Electoral reforms praised and welcomed by [US](#), [EU](#) and [NATO](#), [CoE](#)

- Enhancing the rule of law, and cracking down on corruption, lifting Georgia to 12th place globally in the [Economic Freedom Index](#) published annually by Heritage Foundation. This is a substantial rise from 34th place in 2012 when Georgian Dream came to power, demonstrating the real advances that have been made in the past eight years

Read more:

- [Georgian Dream's Commitment to Sustainable Economic Development](#)
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